

Hello,

My name is Chris Boyles. I am the owner of Boyles Home Services, a Montgomery County based home improvement contracting firm. (www.boyleshomeservices.com). I am also a member of the Gaithersburg/Germantown Chamber of Commerce and of local/national civic organization Izaak Walton League Rockville Chapter. As a lifelong resident of Montgomery County and a small business owner I am writing to oppose the vaccine passport mandate being considered for the county. As a committed Christian, I cannot take the vaccine for religious reasons and there are many others like me. It would set a terrible precedent of government overreach and loss of bodily autonomy as well as create a "second class" category of citizens unable to use many of the businesses and facilities in the county without violating their deeply held beliefs. This will and is already causing an exodus of good citizens and businesses from the County to other more freedom friendly counties or states, along with the tax revenue that they bring. Montgomery County businesses have already suffered enough from the lockdowns and other non-governmental effects of the pandemic. I urge you to leave this personal matter to each individual's judgement and conscience. I believe you will come to regret doing otherwise.

Sincerely,

Chris Boyles